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**TOY CAR KIT****CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS**

[0001] This application is a continuation of pending U.S. Application No. 10/260,475, filed on September 30, 2002.

**FIELD OF THE INVENTION**

[0002] The invention relates generally to mobile toys, and more particularly to certain improvements in such toys.

**BACKGROUND**

[0003] Many different types of toys are known and have become widespread and popular over the years. In particular, radio-controlled toys, such as radio-controlled cars, have become very popular with children over the years. A disadvantage of such toy cars, however, is that generally speaking they are fixed in design and cannot be changed. This means that a child can often become bored with them after a period of time. Furthermore, many children express satisfaction with being able to build or work on a toy themselves. Yet, many radio-controlled cars are complex and have components which are complicated and not easily adapted to be built or switched out by children. What is needed is a radio-controlled toy having easily interchangeable components such that a child may be able to build or customize their own toys.

[0004] Additionally, radio transmitters used by radio-controlled toys are often complex and difficult to operate. Some transmitters are used to charge the radio-controlled toys for use by providing a charging means on the transmitter for connecting to the toy. Often, it is difficult to tell whether charging has been completed, thereby wasting valuable power associated with the